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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2576

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 2576 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Wildlife Code is amended by changing
5 Section 2.26 as follows:

6 (520 ILCS 5/2.26) (from Ch. 61, par. 2.26)

7 Sec. 2.26. Deer hunting permits. Any person attempting to
8 take deer shall first obtain a "Deer Hunting Permit" issued by
9 the Department in accordance with its administrative rules.
10 Those rules must provide for the issuance of the following
11 types of resident deer archery permits: (i) a combination
12 permit, consisting of one either-sex permit and one
13 antlerless-only permit, (ii) a single antlerless-only permit,
14 and (iii) a single either-sex permit. The fee for a Deer
15 Hunting Permit to take deer with either bow and arrow or gun
16 shall not exceed \$25.00 for residents of the State. The

1 Department may by administrative rule provide for non-resident
2 deer hunting permits for which the fee will not exceed \$300 in
3 2005, \$350 in 2006, and \$400 in 2007 and thereafter except as
4 provided below for non-resident landowners and non-resident
5 archery hunters. The Department may by administrative rule
6 provide for a non-resident archery deer permit consisting of
7 not more than 2 harvest tags at a total cost not to exceed \$325
8 in 2005, \$375 in 2006, and \$425 in 2007 and thereafter. The
9 fees for a youth resident and non-resident archery deer permit
10 shall be the same.

11 The Department shall create a pilot program for youth deer
12 hunters statewide. Under the pilot program, the Department
13 shall issue 1,500 youth deer licenses annually. The Department
14 shall adopt rules to implement the pilot program. The
15 provisions of this paragraph are inoperative on and after
16 January 1, 2023.

17 The standards and specifications for use of guns and bow
18 and arrow for deer hunting shall be established by
19 administrative rule.

20 No person may have in his or her possession any firearm not
21 authorized by administrative rule for a specific hunting season
22 when taking deer.

23 Persons having a firearm deer hunting permit shall be
24 permitted to take deer only during the period from 1/2 hour
25 before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset, and only during those
26 days for which an open season is established for the taking of

1 deer by use of shotgun, handgun, or muzzle loading rifle.

2 Persons having an archery deer hunting permit shall be
3 permitted to take deer only during the period from 1/2 hour
4 before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset, and only during those
5 days for which an open season is established for the taking of
6 deer by use of bow and arrow.

7 It shall be unlawful for any person to take deer by use of
8 dogs, horses, automobiles, aircraft or other vehicles, or by
9 the use or aid of bait or baiting of any kind. For the purposes
10 of this Section, "bait" means any material, whether liquid or
11 solid, including food, salt, minerals, and other products,
12 except pure water, that can be ingested, placed, or scattered
13 in such a manner as to attract or lure white-tailed deer.
14 "Baiting" means the placement or scattering of bait to attract
15 deer. An area is considered as baited during the presence of
16 and for 10 consecutive days following the removal of bait.
17 Nothing in this Section shall prohibit the use of a dog to
18 track wounded deer. Any person using a dog for tracking wounded
19 deer must maintain physical control of the dog at all times by
20 means of a maximum 50 foot lead attached to the dog's collar or
21 harness. Tracking wounded deer is permissible at night, but at
22 no time outside of legal deer hunting hours or seasons shall
23 any person handling or accompanying a dog being used for
24 tracking wounded deer be in possession of any firearm or
25 archery device. Persons tracking wounded deer with a dog during
26 the firearm deer seasons shall wear blaze orange or solid blaze

1 pink color as required. Dog handlers tracking wounded deer with
2 a dog are exempt from hunting license and deer permit
3 requirements so long as they are accompanied by the licensed
4 deer hunter who wounded the deer.

5 It shall be unlawful to possess or transport any wild deer
6 which has been injured or killed in any manner upon a public
7 highway or public right-of-way of this State unless exempted by
8 administrative rule.

9 Persons hunting deer must have gun unloaded and no bow and
10 arrow device shall be carried with the arrow in the nocked
11 position during hours when deer hunting is unlawful.

12 It shall be unlawful for any person, having taken the legal
13 limit of deer by gun, to further participate with gun in any
14 deer hunting party.

15 It shall be unlawful for any person, having taken the legal
16 limit of deer by bow and arrow, to further participate with bow
17 and arrow in any deer hunting party.

18 The Department may prohibit upland game hunting during the
19 gun deer season by administrative rule.

20 The Department shall not limit the number of non-resident,
21 either-sex archery deer hunting permits to less than 20,000.

22 Any person who violates any of the provisions of this
23 Section, including administrative rules, shall be guilty of a
24 Class B misdemeanor.

25 For the purposes of calculating acreage under this Section,
26 the Department shall, after determining the total acreage of

1 the applicable tract or tracts of land, round remaining
2 fractional portions of an acre greater than or equal to half of
3 an acre up to the next whole acre.

4 For the purposes of taking white-tailed deer, nothing in
5 this Section shall be construed to prevent the manipulation,
6 including mowing or cutting, of standing crops as a normal
7 agricultural or soil stabilization practice, food plots, or
8 normal agricultural practices, including planting, harvesting,
9 and maintenance such as cultivating or the use of products
10 designed for scent only and not capable of ingestion, solid or
11 liquid, placed or scattered, in such a manner as to attract or
12 lure deer. Such manipulation for the purpose of taking
13 white-tailed deer may be further modified by administrative
14 rule.

15 (Source: P.A. 99-642, eff. 7-28-16; 99-869, eff. 1-1-17;
16 100-691, eff. 1-1-19; 100-949, eff. 1-1-19; revised
17 10-9-18.)".